TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2087 - SB 2636

March 27, 2018

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Creates a planning commission to plan for the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and legacy. Establishes that the planning commission shall consist of 28 members including 4 members of the House of Representatives and 3 members of the Senate. Establishes that all members shall serve without compensation, but are eligible for reimbursement of travel expenses. Requires executive branch departments with representation on the commission to provide administrative and technical support to assist the commission in fulfilling its duties. Requires the commission to be dissolved on July 1, 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – \$10,100/FY17-18

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (015901, 016169): Amendment 015901 deletes all language after the enacting clause. Creates a planning commission to plan for the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s life and legacy. Establishes that the planning commission shall consist of 16 members, including 7 members of the General Assembly. Establishes that all members shall serve without compensation, but are eligible for reimbursement of travel expenses. Requires executive branch departments with representation on the commission to provide administrative and technical support to assist the commission in fulfilling its duties.

Amendment 016169 requires that the commission shall only meet on days in which the General Assembly is in session.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$3,300

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

• There will be nine non-legislative members and seven legislative members on the planning commission.

- The legislation does not set the number of annual meetings for the planning commission nor does it establish a termination date for the commission. However, meetings are required to occur during a legislative session; therefore, it is assumed the planning commission will meet at least once per year during the legislative session.
- Non-legislative members of the planning commission shall be reimbursed for incurred travel expenses at a rate of \$0.47 per mile for an estimated 262 miles roundtrip (or \$123.14 each roundtrip).
- Legislative members will already be receiving travel reimbursement since they will be attending other legislative business on days the planning commission meets. Therefore, no impact related to legislative members.
- Travel expenses for non-legislative planning commission members attending at least one meetings each year will result in a recurring increase in state expenditures estimated to exceed \$3,325 (\$123.14 mileage x 9 members x 3 meetings).
- State agencies will provide administrative and technical support to the planning commission without a significant increase in state expenditures and can accommodate this within existing resources without any additional appropriations or reduced reversions.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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